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19 August 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

[redacted]
Deputy Director, Public Affairs Office

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SUBJECT:

Interview Requested on Presidential
Nomination Campaigns

1. Action Requested: Accept or decline request to meet with you sometime between 7-16 September concerning a research project on presidential nomination campaigns.

2. Background: [redacted]

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[redacted] has requested to meet with you concerning a research project funded by the National Science Foundation. The project deals with presidential nomination campaigns. [redacted]

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[redacted] is investigating how strategic decisions are made in terms of the amount of time and money spent in state contests. He intends to interview key decisionmakers of the "significant" candidates in the 1976 Democratic and 1980 Republican nomination campaigns. He is not concerned with specific personalities or controversies. The strategic decisionmaking processes in presidential campaigns are his prime interest.

3. Recommendation: None. The National Science Foundation confirmed that [redacted]

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[redacted] You declined a similar request from a University of Michigan doctoral candidate last year. As we did in that instance, we could steer the requester to the Republican National Committee instead of a personal interview with you. Indicate your preference and have Public Affairs make an appropriate response.

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SUBJECT: Interview Requested on Presidential Nomination Campaigns

ACCEPT REQUEST TO BE INTERVIEWED:

Director of Central Intelligence

Date

DECLINE REQUEST TO BE INTERVIEWED:

Director of Central Intelligence

Date

REFER TO REPUBLICAN NATIONAL COMMITTEE

/s/ William J. Casey

26 AUG 1983

Director of Central Intelligence

Date